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TITLE

ELECTRODE FOR ELECTROLYZING DILUTED AQUEOUS SODIUM CHLORIDE

SOLUTION

ABSTRACT :

PURPOSE: To improve the durability and current efficiency of the titled electrode having a

coating layer of a catalyst contg. the oxides of Pt group metals on an electrically

conductive substrate by using RuO2, IrO2, Pt and SnO2 mixed in a specified ratio as the

constituents of the coating layer.

CONSTITUTION: When a dil. aqueous NaCl soln. such as seawater is electrolyzed to manufacture hypochlorous acid for disinfection, bleaching or other use, an electrode having a coating layer of a catalyst is used. The electrode is obtd. by applying a mixture consisting of, by mole, 3-40% RuO₂, 5-40% IrO₂, 3-50% Pt and 10-50% SnO₂ to the cleaned surface of a substrate of an electrically conductive metal such as Ti, Zr or Nb and by carrying out baking. In the mixture, Sb may be substituted in the form of SbO₃ for ≤10% of Sn in SnO₂. The resulting electrode has superior durability and current efficiency when a dil. aqueous NaCl soln. is electrolyzed to manufacture hypochlorous acid.

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